



The New York Times  
Get home delivery at 50% off!  
Click Here

Wh  
eve  
was  
**SI**

**Bartleby.com** Reference Verse Fiction Nonfiction

Great Books Online Search Dictionary  Go

Home Subjects Titles Authors Encyclopedia Dictionary Thesaurus Quotations English Usage

Reference > American Heritage® > Dictionary

< ruthenious rutherford >

CONTENTS · INDEX · ILLUSTRATIONS · BIBLIOGRAPHIC RECORD

The American Heritage® Dictionary of the English Language: Fourth Edition. 2000.

## ruthenium

SYLLABICATION: ru·the·ni·um

PRONUNCIATION: rōo-the'ne-əm

NOUN: Symbol Ru A hard white acid-resistant metallic element that is found in platinum ores and is used to harden platinum and palladium for jewelry and in alloys for nonmagnetic wear-resistant instrument pivots and electrical contacts. Atomic number 44; atomic weight 101.07; melting point 2,310°C; boiling point 3,900°C; specific gravity 12.41; valence 0, 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8. See table at element.

ETYMOLOGY: From Medieval Latin *Ruthenia*, Russia, from *Ruthenī*, Russians, from Russian *Rusin*, from Old Russian *Rusī*, Russian. See Russian.

The American Heritage® Dictionary of the English Language, Fourth Edition. Copyright © 2000 by Houghton Mifflin Company. Published by the Houghton Mifflin Company. All rights reserved.

CONTENTS · INDEX · ILLUSTRATIONS · BIBLIOGRAPHIC RECORD

< ruthenious rutherford >

Search Amazon:

Click here to shop the Bartleby Bookstore.

Welcome · Press · Advertising · Linking · Terms of Use · © 2003 Bartleby.com

G  
(  
Pi  
4€

1  
Ente

2  
Get  
ema

3  
Buil  
Wei

4  
Pro  
Wei

re!